

MARKED-UP COPY OF AMENDED CLAIMS

42. (Amended) The sales support system for commodity or service of claim 34, [36, 39, 40, or 41,] wherein the commodity is a tool or a part of metal processing machine.

59. (Amended) The article manufacturing facility automatic decision system of claim [8] 58, comprising:

means for generating process schedule for each machine tools of each manufacturing facility, each process schedule corresponding to a name of the manufacturing facility and a name of machine tool and time axis;

means for calculating processing time of each machine tool to obtain the article of the manufacturing order;

means for selecting a process schedule of the most suitable manufacturing facility, and assigning manufacturing order data corresponding to the processing time to each machine tool of the most suitable manufacturing facility.